


<b>Form 990</b>  Department of the Treasury Internal Revenue Service	<b>Return of Organization Exempt From Income Tax</b>  <b>Under section 501(c), 527, or 4947(a)(1) of the Internal Revenue Code (except black lung benefit trust or private foundation)</b>	OMB No 1545-0047  <b>2010</b>
	The organization may have to use a copy of this return to satisfy state reporting requirements	<b>Open to Public Inspection</b>

<b>A For the 2010 calendar year, or tax year beginning 04-01-2010 and ending 03-31-2011</b>		<b>D Employer identification number</b> 23-7432162	
<b>B</b> Check if applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Address change <input type="checkbox"/> Name change <input type="checkbox"/> Initial return <input type="checkbox"/> Terminated <input type="checkbox"/> Amended return <input type="checkbox"/> Application pending	<b>C</b> Name of organization CATO INSTITUTE		<b>E Telephone number</b> (202) 842-0200
	Doing Business As		
	Number and street (or P O box if mail is not delivered to street address) 1000 MASSACHUSETTS AVE NW		<b>G</b> Gross receipts \$ 43,030,082
	City or town, state or country, and ZIP + 4 WASHINGTON, DC 200015403		
<b>F</b> Name and address of principal officer WILLIAM ERICKSON 1000 MASSACHUSETTS AVE NW WASHINGTON, DC 20001		<b>H(a)</b> Is this a group return for affiliates? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <b>H(b)</b> Are all affiliates included? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If "No," attach a list (see instructions) <b>H(c)</b> Group exemption number ▶	
<b>I</b> Tax-exempt status <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 501(c)(3) <input type="checkbox"/> 501(c) ( ) ◀ (insert no ) <input type="checkbox"/> 4947(a)(1) or <input type="checkbox"/> 527			
<b>J Website:</b> ▶ WWW.CATO.ORG			
<b>K</b> Form of organization <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Trust <input type="checkbox"/> Association <input type="checkbox"/> Other ▶		<b>L</b> Year of formation 1977	<b>M</b> State of legal domicile KS

Part I		Summary	
Activities & Governance	<b>1</b> Briefly describe the organization's mission or most significant activities THE CATO INSTITUTE BROADENS THE UNDERSTANDING OF PUBLIC POLICIES BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF LIMITED GOVERNMENT, FREE MARKETS, INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY, AND PEACE		
	<b>2</b> Check this box <input type="checkbox"/> if the organization discontinued its operations or disposed of more than 25% of its net assets		
	<b>3</b> Number of voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1a) . . . . .	<b>3</b>	18
	<b>4</b> Number of independent voting members of the governing body (Part VI, line 1b) . . . . .	<b>4</b>	16
	<b>5</b> Total number of individuals employed in calendar year 2010 (Part V, line 2a) . . . . .	<b>5</b>	200
<b>6</b> Total number of volunteers (estimate if necessary) . . . . .	<b>6</b>	0	
<b>7a</b> Total unrelated business revenue from Part VIII, column (C), line 12 . . . . .	<b>7a</b>	0	
<b>b</b> Net unrelated business taxable income from Form 990-T, line 34 . . . . .	<b>7b</b>	0	
Revenue	<b>8</b> Contributions and grants (Part VIII, line 1h) . . . . .	<b>Prior Year</b>	<b>Current Year</b>
	<b>9</b> Program service revenue (Part VIII, line 2g) . . . . .	29,717,643	39,253,053
	<b>10</b> Investment income (Part VIII, column (A), lines 3, 4, and 7d ) . . . . .	559,070	643,225
	<b>11</b> Other revenue (Part VIII, column (A), lines 5, 6d, 8c, 9c, 10c, and 11e) . . . . .	396,012	16,831
	<b>12</b> Total revenue—add lines 8 through 11 (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12) . . . . .	856,611	497,618
		31,529,336	40,410,727
Expenses	<b>13</b> Grants and similar amounts paid (Part IX, column (A), lines 1–3 ) . . . . .	425,636	843,602
	<b>14</b> Benefits paid to or for members (Part IX, column (A), line 4) . . . . .	0	0
	<b>15</b> Salaries, other compensation, employee benefits (Part IX, column (A), lines 5–10) . . . . .	10,402,144	11,370,641
	<b>16a</b> Professional fundraising fees (Part IX, column (A), line 11e) . . . . .	0	0
	<b>b</b> Total fundraising expenses (Part IX, column (D), line 25) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 2,045,212		
	<b>17</b> Other expenses (Part IX, column (A), lines 11a–11d, 11f–24f) . . . . .	10,938,304	11,433,952
	<b>18</b> Total expenses Add lines 13–17 (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25) . . . . .	21,766,084	23,648,195
	<b>19</b> Revenue less expenses Subtract line 18 from line 12 . . . . .	9,763,252	16,762,532
Net Assets or Fund Balances		<b>Beginning of Current Year</b>	<b>End of Year</b>
	<b>20</b> Total assets (Part X, line 16) . . . . .	37,636,959	57,206,316
	<b>21</b> Total liabilities (Part X, line 26) . . . . .	2,396,849	5,236,839
	<b>22</b> Net assets or fund balances Subtract line 21 from line 20 . . . . .	35,240,110	51,969,477

<b>Part II Signature Block</b>							
Under penalties of perjury, I declare that I have examined this return, including accompanying schedules and statements, and to the best of my knowledge and belief, it is true, correct, and complete. Declaration of preparer (other than officer) is based on all information of which preparer has any knowledge.							
<b>Sign Here</b>	***** Signature of officer				2011-09-27 Date		
	WILLIAM ERICKSON V P FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION Type or print name and title						
<b>Paid Preparer Use Only</b>	Print/Type preparer's name	DANIEL D O'SHEA	Preparer's signature	DANIEL D O'SHEA	Date	Check if self-employed <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PTIN
	Firm's name <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WATKINS MEEGAN LLC						Firm's EIN <input type="checkbox"/>
	Firm's address <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 7700 WISCONSIN AVENUE SUITE 500 BETHESDA, MD 20814						Phone no <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (301) 654-7555
May the IRS discuss this return with the preparer shown above? (see instructions) . . . . . <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No							

Part III Statement of Program Service Accomplishments

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part III

1 Briefly describe the organization's mission

THE CATO INSTITUTE BROADENS THE UNDERSTANDING OF PUBLIC POLICIES BASED ON THE PRINCIPLES OF LIMITED GOVERNMENT, FREE MARKETS, INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY, AND PEACE

2 Did the organization undertake any significant program services during the year which were not listed on the prior Form 990 or 990-EZ? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these new services on Schedule O

3 Did the organization cease conducting, or make significant changes in how it conducts, any program services? Yes No

If "Yes," describe these changes on Schedule O

4 Describe the exempt purpose achievements for each of the organization's three largest program services by expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations and section 4947(a)(1) trusts are required to report the amount of grants and allocations to others, the total expenses, and revenue, if any, for each program service reported

4a (Code ) (Expenses \$ 11,528,221 including grants of \$ 343,025 ) (Revenue \$ 0 )

POLICY ANALYSIS AND RESEARCH - STUDY AND EXAMINATION OF AREAS SUCH AS HEALTH CARE, INTERNATIONAL ECONOMICS AND DEVELOPMENT, TRADE POLICY, REGULATORY STUDIES, ENVIRONMENT, FOREIGN POLICY, AND DOMESTIC ISSUES IN ORDER TO PROMOTE AND DISSEMINATE LIBERTARIAN PHILOSOPHY AND IDEAS

4b (Code ) (Expenses \$ 4,632,174 including grants of \$ 577 ) (Revenue \$ 586,465 )

PUBLICATIONS AND MEDIA - INCLUDES 18 POLICY ANALYSES, 5 DEVELOPMENT POLICY PAPERS, 8 TRADE POLICY PAPERS, 6 BRIEFING PAPERS ALSO 4 ISSUES OF REGULATION MAGAZINE, 4 ISSUES OF CATO JOURNAL, 12 AUDIO CD'S AND 10 BOOKS

4c (Code ) (Expenses \$ 2,390,232 including grants of \$ ) (Revenue \$ 591,856 )

CONFERENCES AND FORUMS/SEMINARS - CATO SPONSORED 498 FORUMS AND SEMINARS WITH TOPICS INCLUDING CONSTITUTIONAL STUDIES, LIMITED GOVERNMENT, HEALTH CARE, INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND ECONOMICS, TECHNOLOGY, FREE MARKETS, ENVIRONMENT, TERRORISM, AND DEFENSE



















4d Other program services (Describe in Schedule O ) See also Additional Data for Description

(Expenses \$ 750,421 including grants of \$ 500,000 ) (Revenue \$ 51,370 )

4e Total program service expenses \$ 19,301,048

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules

		Yes	No
1	Is the organization described in section 501(c)(3) or 4947(a)(1) (other than a private foundation)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule A.</i> 	1	Yes
2	Is the organization required to complete Schedule B, Schedule of Contributors (see instruction)? 	2	Yes
3	Did the organization engage in direct or indirect political campaign activities on behalf of or in opposition to candidates for public office? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part I.</i>	3	No
4	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in lobbying activities, or have a section 501(h) election in effect during the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part II.</i>	4	No
5	Is the organization a section 501(c)(4), 501(c)(5), or 501(c)(6) organization that receives membership dues, assessments, or similar amounts as defined in Revenue Procedure 98-19? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule C, Part III.</i>	5	
6	Did the organization maintain any donor advised funds or any similar funds or accounts where donors have the right to provide advice on the distribution or investment of amounts in such funds or accounts? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part I.</i> 	6	No
7	Did the organization receive or hold a conservation easement, including easements to preserve open space, the environment, historic land areas or historic structures? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part II.</i> 	7	No
8	Did the organization maintain collections of works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part III.</i> 	8	No
9	Did the organization report an amount in Part X, line 21, serve as a custodian for amounts not listed in Part X, or provide credit counseling, debt management, credit repair, or debt negotiation services? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IV.</i> 	9	No
10	Did the organization, directly or through a related organization, hold assets in term, permanent, or quasi-endowments? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part V.</i> 	10	Yes
11	If the organization's answer to any of the following questions is 'Yes,' then complete Schedule D, Parts VI, VII, VIII, IX, or X as applicable		
a	Did the organization report an amount for land, buildings, and equipment in Part X, line 10? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VI.</i> 	11a	Yes
b	Did the organization report an amount for investments—other securities in Part X, line 12 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VII.</i> 	11b	No
c	Did the organization report an amount for investments—program related in Part X, line 13 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part VIII.</i> 	11c	No
d	Did the organization report an amount for other assets in Part X, line 15 that is 5% or more of its total assets reported in Part X, line 16? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part IX.</i> 	11d	No
e	Did the organization report an amount for other liabilities in Part X, line 25? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> 	11e	Yes
f	Did the organization's separate or consolidated financial statements for the tax year include a footnote that addresses the organization's liability for uncertain tax positions under FIN 48 (ASC 740)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Part X.</i> 	11f	Yes
12a	Did the organization obtain separate, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII.</i> 	12a	Yes
b	Was the organization included in consolidated, independent audited financial statements for the tax year? <i>If "Yes," and if the organization answered 'No' to line 12a, then completing Schedule D, Parts XI, XII, and XIII is optional.</i> 	12b	No
13	Is the organization a school described in section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule E.</i>	13	No
14a	Did the organization maintain an office, employees, or agents outside of the United States?	14a	Yes
b	Did the organization have aggregate revenues or expenses of more than \$10,000 from grantmaking, fundraising, business, and program service activities outside the United States? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts I and IV.</i> 	14b	No
15	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of grants or assistance to any organization or entity located outside the U.S.? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts II and IV.</i> 	15	Yes
16	Did the organization report on Part IX, column (A), line 3, more than \$5,000 of aggregate grants or assistance to individuals located outside the U.S.? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule F, Parts III and IV.</i> 	16	Yes
17	Did the organization report a total of more than \$15,000 of expenses for professional fundraising services on Part IX, column (A), lines 6 and 11e? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part I (see instructions).</i>	17	No
18	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 total of fundraising event gross income and contributions on Part VIII, lines 1c and 8a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part II.</i>	18	No
19	Did the organization report more than \$15,000 of gross income from gaming activities on Part VIII, line 9a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule G, Part III.</i>	19	No
20a	Did the organization operate one or more hospitals? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule H.</i>	20a	No
b	If "Yes" to line 20a, did the organization attach its audited financial statement to this return? <b>Note.</b> Some Form 990 filers that operate one or more hospitals must attach audited financial statements (see instructions).	20b	

Part IV

Checklist of Required Schedules (continued)

21	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 1? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and II</i> . . . . .	21		No
22	Did the organization report more than \$5,000 of grants and other assistance to individuals in the United States on Part IX, column (A), line 2? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule I, Parts I and III</i> . . . . .	22	Yes	
23	Did the organization answer "Yes" to Part VII, Section A, questions 3, 4, or 5, about compensation of the organization's current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J</i> . . . . .	23	Yes	
24a	Did the organization have a tax-exempt bond issue with an outstanding principal amount of more than \$100,000 as of the last day of the year, that was issued after December 31, 2002? <i>If "Yes," answer lines 24b–24d and complete Schedule K. If "No," go to line 25</i> . . . . .	24a		No
b	Did the organization invest any proceeds of tax-exempt bonds beyond a temporary period exception? . . . .	24b		
c	Did the organization maintain an escrow account other than a refunding escrow at any time during the year to defease any tax-exempt bonds? . . . . .	24c		
d	Did the organization act as an "on behalf of" issuer for bonds outstanding at any time during the year? . . . .	24d		
25a	<b>Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations.</b> Did the organization engage in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person during the year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> . . . . .	25a		No
b	Is the organization aware that it engaged in an excess benefit transaction with a disqualified person in a prior year, and that the transaction has not been reported on any of the organization's prior Forms 990 or 990-EZ? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part I</i> . . . . .	25b		No
26	Was a loan to or by a current or former officer, director, trustee, key employee, highly compensated employee, or disqualified person outstanding as of the end of the organization's tax year? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part II</i> . . . . .	26		No
27	Did the organization provide a grant or other assistance to an officer, director, trustee, key employee, substantial contributor, or a grant selection committee member, or to a person related to such an individual? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part III</i> . . . . .	27		No
28	Was the organization a party to a business transaction with one of the following parties? (see Schedule L, Part IV instructions for applicable filing thresholds, conditions, and exceptions)			
a	A current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .	28a		No
b	A family member of a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .	28b		No
c	An entity of which a current or former officer, director, trustee, or key employee (or a family member thereof) was an officer, director, trustee, or direct or indirect owner? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule L, Part IV</i> . . . . .	28c		No
29	Did the organization receive more than \$25,000 in non-cash contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i>	29	Yes	
30	Did the organization receive contributions of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets, or qualified conservation contributions? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule M</i> . . . . .	30		No
31	Did the organization liquidate, terminate, or dissolve and cease operations? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part I</i> . . . . .	31		No
32	Did the organization sell, exchange, dispose of, or transfer more than 25% of its net assets? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule N, Part II</i> . . . . .	32		No
33	Did the organization own 100% of an entity disregarded as separate from the organization under Regulations sections 301.7701-2 and 301.7701-3? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part I</i> . . . . .	33		No
34	Was the organization related to any tax-exempt or taxable entity? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Parts II, III, IV, and V, line 1</i> . . . . .	34		No
35	Is any related organization a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? . . . . .	35		No
a	Did the organization receive any payment from or engage in any transaction with a controlled entity within the meaning of section 512(b)(13)? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> . . . . . <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No			
36	<b>Section 501(c)(3) organizations.</b> Did the organization make any transfers to an exempt non-charitable related organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part V, line 2</i> . . . . .	36		No
37	Did the organization conduct more than 5% of its activities through an entity that is not a related organization and that is treated as a partnership for federal income tax purposes? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule R, Part VI</i>	37		No
38	Did the organization complete Schedule O and provide explanations in Schedule O for Part VI, lines 11 and 19? <b>Note.</b> All Form 990 filers are required to complete Schedule O . . . . .	38	Yes	

<div>Part V</div> <div>Statements Regarding Other IRS Filings and Tax Compliance</div>			
Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part V <input type="checkbox"/>			
		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number reported in Box 3 of Form 1096. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1a	148
b	Enter the number of Forms W-2G included in line 1a. Enter -0- if not applicable.	1b	0
c	Did the organization comply with backup withholding rules for reportable payments to vendors and reportable gaming (gambling) winnings to prize winners?	1c	Yes
2a	Enter the number of employees reported on Form W-3, Transmittal of Wage and Tax Statements filed for the calendar year ending with or within the year covered by this return.	2a	200
b	If at least one is reported on line 2a, did the organization file all required federal employment tax returns?	2b	Yes
<b>Note.</b> If the sum of lines 1a and 2a is greater than 250, you may be required to e-file (see instructions).			
3a	Did the organization have unrelated business gross income of \$1,000 or more during the year?	3a	No
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 990-T for this year? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.	3b	
4a	At any time during the calendar year, did the organization have an interest in, or a signature or other authority over, a financial account in a foreign country (such as a bank account, securities account, or other financial account)?	4a	No
b	If "Yes," enter the name of the foreign country: See instructions for filing requirements for Form TD F 90-22.1, Report of Foreign Bank and Financial Accounts.		
5a	Was the organization a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction at any time during the tax year?	5a	No
b	Did any taxable party notify the organization that it was or is a party to a prohibited tax shelter transaction?	5b	No
c	If "Yes" to line 5a or 5b, did the organization file Form 8886-T?	5c	
6a	Does the organization have annual gross receipts that are normally greater than \$100,000, and did the organization solicit any contributions that were not tax deductible?	6a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization include with every solicitation an express statement that such contributions or gifts were not tax deductible?	6b	
<b>7 Organizations that may receive deductible contributions under section 170(c).</b>			
a	Did the organization receive a payment in excess of \$75 made partly as a contribution and partly for goods and services provided to the payor?	7a	No
b	If "Yes," did the organization notify the donor of the value of the goods or services provided?	7b	
c	Did the organization sell, exchange, or otherwise dispose of tangible personal property for which it was required to file Form 8282?	7c	No
d	If "Yes," indicate the number of Forms 8282 filed during the year.	7d	
e	Did the organization receive any funds, directly or indirectly, to pay premiums on a personal benefit contract?	7e	No
f	Did the organization, during the year, pay premiums, directly or indirectly, on a personal benefit contract?	7f	No
g	If the organization received a contribution of qualified intellectual property, did the organization file Form 8899 as required?	7g	
h	If the organization received a contribution of cars, boats, airplanes, or other vehicles, did the organization file a Form 1098-C?	7h	
<b>8 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds and section 509(a)(3) supporting organizations.</b> Did the supporting organization, or a donor advised fund maintained by a sponsoring organization, have excess business holdings at any time during the year?			
<b>9 Sponsoring organizations maintaining donor advised funds.</b>			
a	Did the organization make any taxable distributions under section 4966?	9a	
b	Did the organization make a distribution to a donor, donor advisor, or related person?	9b	
<b>10 Section 501(c)(7) organizations.</b> Enter			
a	Initiation fees and capital contributions included on Part VIII, line 12.	10a	
b	Gross receipts, included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, for public use of club facilities.	10b	
<b>11 Section 501(c)(12) organizations.</b> Enter			
a	Gross income from members or shareholders.	11a	
b	Gross income from other sources (Do not net amounts due or paid to other sources against amounts due or received from them).	11b	
<b>12a Section 4947(a)(1) non-exempt charitable trusts.</b> Is the organization filing Form 990 in lieu of Form 1041?			
b	If "Yes," enter the amount of tax-exempt interest received or accrued during the year.	12b	
<b>13 Section 501(c)(29) qualified nonprofit health insurance issuers.</b>			
a	Is the organization licensed to issue qualified health plans in more than one state? <b>Note.</b> See the instructions for additional information the organization must report on Schedule O.	13a	
b	Enter the amount of reserves the organization is required to maintain by the states in which the organization is licensed to issue qualified health plans.	13b	
c	Enter the amount of reserves on hand.	13c	
<b>14a</b> Did the organization receive any payments for indoor tanning services during the tax year?			
b	If "Yes," has it filed a Form 720 to report these payments? If "No," provide an explanation in Schedule O.	14b	No

Part VI

**Governance, Management, and Disclosure** For each "Yes" response to lines 2 through 7b below, and for a "No" response to lines 8a, 8b, or 10b below, describe the circumstances, processes, or changes in Schedule O. See instructions.  
Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VI ☒

Section A. Governing Body and Management

		Yes	No
1a	Enter the number of voting members of the governing body at the end of the tax year . . . . .		
1a	18		
b	Enter the number of voting members included in line 1a, above, who are independent . . . . .	1b	16
2	Did any officer, director, trustee, or key employee have a family relationship or a business relationship with any other officer, director, trustee, or key employee? . . . . .	2	No
3	Did the organization delegate control over management duties customarily performed by or under the direct supervision of officers, directors or trustees, or key employees to a management company or other person? . . . . .	3	No
4	Did the organization make any significant changes to its governing documents since the prior Form 990 was filed?	4	No
5	Did the organization become aware during the year of a significant diversion of the organization's assets? . . . . .	5	No
6	Does the organization have members or stockholders? . . . . .	6	Yes
7a	Does the organization have members, stockholders, or other persons who may elect one or more members of the governing body? . . . . .	7a	Yes
b	Are any decisions of the governing body subject to approval by members, stockholders, or other persons? . . . . .	7b	Yes
8	Did the organization contemporaneously document the meetings held or written actions undertaken during the year by the following		
a	The governing body? . . . . .	8a	Yes
b	Each committee with authority to act on behalf of the governing body? . . . . .	8b	Yes
9	Is there any officer, director, trustee, or key employee listed in Part VII, Section A, who cannot be reached at the organization's mailing address? If "Yes," provide the names and addresses in Schedule O . . . . .	9	No

Section B. Policies (This Section B requests information about policies not required by the Internal Revenue Code.)

		Yes	No
10a	Does the organization have local chapters, branches, or affiliates? . . . . .	10a	No
b	If "Yes," does the organization have written policies and procedures governing the activities of such chapters, affiliates, and branches to ensure their operations are consistent with those of the organization? . . . . .	10b	
11a	Has the organization provided a copy of this Form 990 to all members of its governing body before filing the form? . . . . .	11a	Yes
b	Describe in Schedule O the process, if any, used by the organization to review this Form 990 . . . . .		
12a	Does the organization have a written conflict of interest policy? If "No," go to line 13 . . . . .	12a	Yes
b	Are officers, directors or trustees, and key employees required to disclose annually interests that could give rise to conflicts? . . . . .	12b	Yes
c	Does the organization regularly and consistently monitor and enforce compliance with the policy? If "Yes," describe in Schedule O how this is done . . . . .	12c	Yes
13	Does the organization have a written whistleblower policy? . . . . .	13	Yes
14	Does the organization have a written document retention and destruction policy? . . . . .	14	Yes
15	Did the process for determining compensation of the following persons include a review and approval by independent persons, comparability data, and contemporaneous substantiation of the deliberation and decision?		
a	The organization's CEO, Executive Director, or top management official . . . . .	15a	Yes
b	Other officers or key employees of the organization . . . . .	15b	No
	If "Yes" to line 15a or 15b, describe the process in Schedule O (See instructions )		
16a	Did the organization invest in, contribute assets to, or participate in a joint venture or similar arrangement with a taxable entity during the year? . . . . .	16a	No
b	If "Yes," has the organization adopted a written policy or procedure requiring the organization to evaluate its participation in joint venture arrangements under applicable federal tax law, and taken steps to safeguard the organization's exempt status with respect to such arrangements? . . . . .	16b	

Section C. Disclosure

17	List the States with which a copy of this Form 990 is required to be filed▶AL , AK , AZ , AR , CA , CO , CT , DC , FL , GA , HI , IL , KS , KY , ME , MD , MA , MI , MN , MS , MO , NH , NJ , NM , NY , NC , ND , OH , OK , OR , PA , RI , SC , TN , UT , VA , WA , WV , WI
18	Section 6104 requires an organization to make its Form 1023 (or 1024 if applicable), 990, and 990-T (501(c)(3)s only) available for public inspection. Indicate how you make these available. Check all that apply. <input type="checkbox"/> Own website <input type="checkbox"/> Another's website <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Upon request
19	Describe in Schedule O whether (and if so, how), the organization makes its governing documents, conflict of interest policy, and financial statements available to the public. See Additional Data Table.
20	State the name, physical address, and telephone number of the person who possesses the books and records of the organization ▶ TRISHA LINE 1000 MASSACHUSETTS AVENUE NW WASHINGTON, DC 200015403 (202) 842-0200

Part VII

Compensation of Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, Highest Compensated Employees, and Independent Contractors

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees

1a Complete this table for all persons required to be listed Report compensation for the calendar year ending with or within the organization's tax year

- List all of the organization's **current** officers, directors, trustees (whether individuals or organizations), regardless of amount of compensation, and **current** key employees Enter -0- in columns (D), (E), and (F) if no compensation was paid
- List all of the organization's **current** key employees, if any See instructions for definition of "key employee "
- List the organization's five **current** highest compensated employees (other than an officer, director, trustee or key employee) who received reportable compensation (Box 5 of Form W-2 and/or Box 7 of Form 1099-MISC) of more than \$100,000 from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former** officers, key employees, and highest compensated employees who received more than \$100,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations
- List all of the organization's **former directors or trustees** that received, in the capacity as a former director or trustee of the organization, more than \$10,000 of reportable compensation from the organization and any related organizations

List persons in the following order individual trustees or directors , institutional trustees , officers , key employees , highest compensated employees , and former such persons

Check this box if neither the organization nor any related organization compensated any current officer, director, or trustee

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(1) FRANK BOND DIRECTOR EMERITUS	2 5	X						0	0	0
(2) RICHARD J DENNIS DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(3) JOHN C MALONE DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(4) DAVID H PADDEN DIRECTOR EMERITUS	2 5	X						0	0	0
(5) LEWIS E RANDALL DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(6) HOWARD S RICH DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(7) JEFFREY YASS DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(8) FRED YOUNG DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(9) EDWARD H CRANE PRESIDENT	40 0	X		X				453,918	0	34,339
(10) ETHELMAE C HUMPHREYS DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(11) DAVID H KOCH DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(12) WILLIAM A NISKANEN DIRECTOR	40 0	X						178,550	0	14,535
(13) DONALD G SMITH DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(14) ROBERT A LEVY CHAIRMAN	2 5	X		X				0	0	0
(15) K TUCKER ANDERSEN DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(16) WILLIAM DUNN DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0

Part VII

Section A. Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees (continued)

(A) Name and Title	(B) Average hours per week (describe hours for related organizations in Schedule O)	(C) Position (check all that apply)						(D) Reportable compensation from the organization (W-2/1099-MISC)	(E) Reportable compensation from related organizations (W-2/1099-MISC)	(F) Estimated amount of other compensation from the organization and related organizations
		Individual trustee or director	Institutional Trustee	Officer	Key employee	Highest compensated employee	Former			
(17) KEVIN GENTRY DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(18) NANCEY PFOTENHAUER DIRECTOR	2 5	X						0	0	0
(19) DAVID BOAZ EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT	40 0			X				245,625	0	22,950
(20) WILLIAM ERICKSON VP OF FINANCE & ADMINISTRATION	40 0			X				169,570	0	22,871
(21) ANTHONY PRYOR SECRETARY	40 0			X				73,375	0	4,465
(22) WILLIAM LINDSEY VP RESEARCH	40 0					X		173,118	0	22,922
(23) ROGER PILON VP for Legal Affairs	40 0					X		167,118	0	24,452
(24) TED CARPENTER VP DEFENSE & FOREIGN POLICY	40 0					X		171,550	0	14,064
(25) JAGADEESH GOKHALE SENIOR FELLOW	40 0					X		156,045	0	21,411
(26) ANDREI ILLIARNOV SENIOR FELLOW	40 0					X		161,400	0	13,857
(27) MARK CALABRIA SENIOR FELLOW	40 0					X		153,375	0	14,615
1b Sub-Total . . . . .										
c Total from continuation sheets to Part VII, Section A . . . . .										
d Total (add lines 1b and 1c) . . . . .								2,103,644	0	210,481

2 Total number of individuals (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in reportable compensation from the organization▶28

		Yes	No
3	Did the organization list any <b>former</b> officer, director or trustee, key employee, or highest compensated employee on line 1a? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .		No
4	For any individual listed on line 1a, is the sum of reportable compensation and other compensation from the organization and related organizations greater than \$150,000? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such individual</i> . . . . .	Yes	
5	Did any person listed on line 1a receive or accrue compensation from any unrelated organization or individual for services rendered to the organization? <i>If "Yes," complete Schedule J for such person</i> . . . . .		No

Section B. Independent Contractors

1 Complete this table for your five highest compensated independent contractors that received more than \$100,000 of compensation from the organization

(A) Name and business address	(B) Description of services	(C) Compensation
NETWORK ALLIANCE INC 11130 SUNRISE VALLEY DRIVE RESTON, VA 20191	OUTSOURCED IT	393,244
RST MARKETING 1272 Corporate Park Road FOREST, VA 24551	PRINTING AND MAILING	566,892
AUTOMATED GRAPHICS SYSTEMs 8107 Bavaria Road MACEDONIA, OH 44056	PRINTING/FULFILLMENT	239,785
PILLSBURY WINTHROP SHAW PITTMAN LLP PO BOX 601240 CHARLOTTE, NC 28260	LEGAL SERVICES	613,917
NEW HOPE ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES IN 536 PANTOPS CENTER 402 CHARLOTTESVILLE, VA 22911	CONSULTING SERVICES	203,500

2 Total number of independent contractors (including but not limited to those listed above) who received more than \$100,000 in compensation from the organization ▶15



Part VIII

Statement of Revenue

			(A) Total revenue	(B) Related or exempt function revenue	(C) Unrelated business revenue	(D) Revenue excluded from tax under sections  512, 513, or 514	
Contributions, gifts, grants and other similar amounts	1a	Federated campaigns . . . . .	1a				
	b	Membership dues . . . . .	1b				
	c	Fundraising events . . . . .	1c				
	d	Related organizations . . . . .	1d				
	e	Government grants (contributions)	1e				
	f	All other contributions, gifts, grants, and similar amounts not included above	1f	39,253,053			
	g	Noncash contributions included in lines 1a-1f \$		4,404,194			
	h	Total. Add lines 1a-1f . . . . .		39,253,053			
	Program Service Revenue	2a	CONFERENCES	Business Code 900099	643,225	643,225	
b							
c							
d							
e							
f		All other program service revenue					
g		Total. Add lines 2a-2f . . . . .		643,225			
Other Revenue		3	Investment income (including dividends, interest and other similar amounts) . . . . .		120,553	0	0
	4	Income from investment of tax-exempt bond proceeds . . . . .		0	0	0	0
	5	Royalties . . . . .		24,191	0	0	24,191
	6a	Gross Rents	(i) Real 285,688	(ii) Personal			
		b	Less rental expenses	0			
		c	Rental income or (loss)	285,688			
		d	Net rental income or (loss) . . . . .		285,688	0	0
	7a	Gross amount from sales of assets other than inventory	(i) Securities 2,139,119	(ii) Other			
		b	Less cost or other basis and sales expenses	2,162,841	80,000		
		c	Gain or (loss)	-23,722	-80,000		
		d	Net gain or (loss) . . . . .		-103,722	0	0
	8a	Gross income from fundraising events (not including \$ _____ of contributions reported on line 1c) See Part IV, line 18 . . . . .	a				
		b	Less direct expenses . . . . .	b			
		c	Net income or (loss) from fundraising events . . . . .		0		0
	9a	Gross income from gaming activities See Part IV, line 19 . . . . .	a				
		b	Less direct expenses . . . . .	b			
		c	Net income or (loss) from gaming activities . . . . .		0	0	0
	10a	Gross sales of inventory, less returns and allowances . . . . .	a	561,989			
		b	Less cost of goods sold . . . . .	b	376,514		
		c	Net income or (loss) from sales of inventory . . . . .		185,475	185,475	0
11a	MISCELLANEOUS	Business Code 900099	1,979	1,979			
	b	MAILING LIST SALES	900004	285		285	
	c						
	d	All other revenue . . . . .					
	e	Total. Add lines 11a-11d . . . . .		2,264			
	12	Total revenue. See Instructions . . . . .		40,410,727	830,679	0	326,995

Part IX

Statement of Functional Expenses

Section 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations must complete all columns.

All other organizations must complete column (A) but are not required to complete columns (B), (C), and (D).

Do not include amounts reported on lines 6b, 7b, 8b, 9b, and 10b of Part VIII.		(A) Total expenses	(B) Program service expenses	(C) Management and general expenses	(D) Fundraising expenses
1	Grants and other assistance to governments and organizations in the U S See Part IV, line 21	577	577		
2	Grants and other assistance to individuals in the U S See Part IV, line 22	531,225	531,225		
3	Grants and other assistance to governments, organizations, and individuals outside the U S See Part IV, lines 15 and 16	311,800	311,800		
4	Benefits paid to or for members	0			
5	Compensation of current officers, directors, trustees, and key employees . . . . .	1,249,922	728,682	301,993	219,247
6	Compensation not included above, to disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)) and persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B) . . . . .	0			
7	Other salaries and wages	8,152,215	7,048,429	421,031	682,755
8	Pension plan contributions (include section 401(k) and section 403(b) employer contributions) . . . . .	368,445	318,465	18,708	31,272
9	Other employee benefits . . . . .	978,779	757,533	136,425	84,821
10	Payroll taxes . . . . .	621,280	520,936	45,228	55,116
a	Fees for services (non-employees) Management . . . . .	0			
b	Legal . . . . .	398,640	228,598	170,042	0
c	Accounting . . . . .	29,260	0	29,260	0
d	Lobbying . . . . .	0			
e	Professional fundraising services See Part IV, line 17 . . . . .	0			
f	Investment management fees . . . . .	120,766	21,605	99,155	6
g	Other . . . . .	1,403,382	1,144,896	110,655	147,831
12	Advertising and promotion . . . . .	820,465	796,794	214	23,457
13	Office expenses . . . . .	3,051,888	2,348,202	290,862	412,824
14	Information technology . . . . .	0			
15	Royalties . . . . .	0			
16	Occupancy . . . . .	1,072,481	874,855	107,075	90,551
17	Travel . . . . .	1,517,996	1,377,865	8,229	131,902
18	Payments of travel or entertainment expenses for any federal, state, or local public officials . . . . .	0			
19	Conferences, conventions, and meetings . . . . .	591,266	582,703	1,835	6,728
20	Interest . . . . .	8,022	0	8,022	0
21	Payments to affiliates . . . . .	0			
22	Depreciation, depletion, and amortization . . . . .	460,053	375,303	45,742	39,008
23	Insurance . . . . .	86,962	0	86,962	0
24	Other expenses Itemize expenses not covered above (List miscellaneous expenses in line 24f If line 24f amount exceeds 10% of line 25, column (A) amount, list line 24f expenses on Schedule O )				
a	CONTRIBUTION	375,000	375,000	0	0
b	TAXES & LICENSES	356,198	2,728	352,384	1,086
c	HONORARIUM	246,190	239,944	1,246	5,000
d	DUES/SUBSCRIPTIONS/BOOKS	401,729	322,343	16,537	62,849
e	FULFILLMENT	203,449	203,449	0	0
f	All other expenses	290,205	189,116	50,330	50,759
25	Total functional expenses. Add lines 1 through 24f	23,648,195	19,301,048	2,301,935	2,045,212
26	Joint costs. Check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> if following SOP 98-2 (ASC 958-720) Complete this line only if the organization reported in column (B) joint costs from a combined educational campaign and fundraising solicitation	812,620	618,079	14,952	179,589

Part X

Balance Sheet

						(A)		(B)
						Beginning of year		End of year
Assets	1	Cash—non-interest-bearing . . . . .				1,000	1	1,000
	2	Savings and temporary cash investments . . . . .				11,548,656	2	20,064,719
	3	Pledges and grants receivable, net . . . . .				7,278,671	3	8,825,198
	4	Accounts receivable, net . . . . .				57,657	4	184,098
	5	Receivables from current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, and highest compensated employees. Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .					5	
	6	Receivables from other disqualified persons (as defined under section 4958(f)(1)), persons described in section 4958(c)(3)(B), and contributing employers, and sponsoring organizations of section 501(c)(9) voluntary employees' beneficiary organizations (see instructions). Schedule L . . . . .					6	
	7	Notes and loans receivable, net . . . . .					7	
	8	Inventories for sale or use . . . . .				370,797	8	309,085
	9	Prepaid expenses and deferred charges . . . . .				626,796	9	366,496
	10a	Land, buildings, and equipment: cost or other basis. Complete Part VI of Schedule D.	10a	33,823,099				
	b	Less: accumulated depreciation . . . . .	10b	9,983,483	14,139,010	10c	23,839,616	
	11	Investments—publicly traded securities . . . . .				3,283,868	11	3,520,600
	12	Investments—other securities. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .					12	
	13	Investments—program-related. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .					13	
	14	Intangible assets . . . . .					14	
	15	Other assets. See Part IV, line 11 . . . . .				330,504	15	95,504
16	Total assets. Add lines 1 through 15 (must equal line 34) . . . . .				37,636,959	16	57,206,316	
Liabilities	17	Accounts payable and accrued expenses . . . . .				1,120,693	17	3,372,978
	18	Grants payable . . . . .				38,839	18	529,416
	19	Deferred revenue . . . . .				141,781	19	117,999
	20	Tax-exempt bond liabilities . . . . .					20	
	21	Escrow or custodial account liability. Complete Part IV of Schedule D . . . . .					21	
	22	Payables to current and former officers, directors, trustees, key employees, highest compensated employees, and disqualified persons. Complete Part II of Schedule L . . . . .					22	
	23	Secured mortgages and notes payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .					23	
	24	Unsecured notes and loans payable to unrelated third parties . . . . .					24	
	25	Other liabilities. Complete Part X of Schedule D . . . . .				1,095,536	25	1,216,446
	26	Total liabilities. Add lines 17 through 25 . . . . .				2,396,849	26	5,236,839
Net Assets or Fund Balances	Organizations that follow SFAS 117, check here <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 27 through 29, and lines 33 and 34.							
	27	Unrestricted net assets . . . . .				21,585,509	27	28,437,968
	28	Temporarily restricted net assets . . . . .				11,644,504	28	21,521,412
	29	Permanently restricted net assets . . . . .				2,010,097	29	2,010,097
	Organizations that do not follow SFAS 117, check here <input type="checkbox"/> and complete lines 30 through 34.							
	30	Capital stock or trust principal, or current funds . . . . .					30	
	31	Paid-in or capital surplus, or land, building or equipment fund . . . . .					31	
	32	Retained earnings, endowment, accumulated income, or other funds . . . . .					32	
	33	Total net assets or fund balances . . . . .				35,240,110	33	51,969,477
34	Total liabilities and net assets/fund balances . . . . .				37,636,959	34	57,206,316	

Part XI Reconciliation of Net Assets

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XI . . . . . ☒

1	Total revenue (must equal Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	1	40,410,727
2	Total expenses (must equal Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	23,648,195
3	Revenue less expenses Subtract line 2 from line 1	3	16,762,532
4	Net assets or fund balances at beginning of year (must equal Part X, line 33, column (A))	4	35,240,110
5	Other changes in net assets or fund balances (explain in Schedule O)	5	-33,165
6	Net assets or fund balances at end of year Combine lines 3, 4, and 5 (must equal Part X, line 33, column (B))	6	51,969,477

Part XII Financial Statements and Reporting

Check if Schedule O contains a response to any question in this Part XII . . . . . ☐

		Yes	No
1	Accounting method used to prepare the Form 990 <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Accrual <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ If the organization changed its method of accounting from a prior year or checked "Other," explain in Schedule O		
2a	Were the organization's financial statements compiled or reviewed by an independent accountant?		No
b	Were the organization's financial statements audited by an independent accountant?	Yes	
c	If "Yes," to 2a or 2b, does the organization have a committee that assumes responsibility for oversight of the audit, review, or compilation of its financial statements and selection of an independent accountant? If the organization changed either its oversight process or selection process during the tax year, explain in Schedule O	Yes	
d	If "Yes" to line 2a or 2b, check a box below to indicate whether the financial statements for the year were issued on a separate basis, consolidated basis, or both <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Separate basis <input type="checkbox"/> Consolidated basis <input type="checkbox"/> Both consolidated and separated basis		
3a	As a result of a federal award, was the organization required to undergo an audit or audits as set forth in the Single Audit Act and OMB Circular A-133?		
b	If "Yes," did the organization undergo the required audit or audits? If the organization did not undergo the required audit or audits, explain why in Schedule O and describe any steps taken to undergo such audits		

SCHEDULE A  
(Form 990 or 990EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Public Charity Status and Public Support

Complete if the organization is a section 501(c)(3) organization or a section 4947(a)(1) nonexempt charitable trust.

► Attach to Form 990 or Form 990-EZ. ► See separate instructions.

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Open to Public Inspection

Name of the organization  
CATO INSTITUTE

Employer identification number  
23-7432162

Part I

Reason for Public Charity Status (All organizations must complete this part.) See instructions

- The organization is not a private foundation because it is (For lines 1 through 11, check only one box )
- 1

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A church, convention of churches, or association of churches described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(i).**
- 2

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A school described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(ii).** (Attach Schedule E )
- 3

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A hospital or a cooperative hospital service organization described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).**
- 4

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A medical research organization operated in conjunction with a hospital described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iii).** Enter the hospital's name, city, and state
- 5

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An organization operated for the benefit of a college or university owned or operated by a governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(iv).** (Complete Part II )
- 6

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A federal, state, or local government or governmental unit described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(v).**
- 7

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An organization that normally receives a substantial part of its support from a governmental unit or from the general public described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II )
- 8

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A community trust described in **section 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)** (Complete Part II )
- 9

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An organization that normally receives (1) more than 33 1/3% of its support from contributions, membership fees, and gross receipts from activities related to its exempt functions—subject to certain exceptions, and (2) no more than 33 1/3% of its support from gross investment income and unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 tax) from businesses acquired by the organization after June 30, 1975 See **section 509(a)(2).** (Complete Part III )
- 10

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An organization organized and operated exclusively to test for public safety See**section 509(a)(4).**
- 11

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An organization organized and operated exclusively for the benefit of, to perform the functions of, or to carry out the purposes of one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2) See **section 509(a)(3).** Check the box that describes the type of supporting organization and complete lines 11e through 11h  

a

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Type I

b

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Type II

c

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Type III - Functionally integrated

d

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Type III - Other
- e

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By checking this box, I certify that the organization is not controlled directly or indirectly by one or more disqualified persons other than foundation managers and other than one or more publicly supported organizations described in section 509(a)(1) or section 509(a)(2)
- f

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If the organization received a written determination from the IRS that it is a Type I, Type II or Type III supporting organization, check this box
- g

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Since August 17, 2006, has the organization accepted any gift or contribution from any of the following persons?  

(i)

a person who directly or indirectly controls, either alone or together with persons described in (ii) and (iii) below, the governing body of the the supported organization?

(ii)

a family member of a person described in (i) above?

(iii)

a 35% controlled entity of a person described in (i) or (ii) above?
- h

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Provide the following information about the supported organization(s)

	Yes	No
11g(i)		
11g(ii)		
11g(iii)		

(i) Name of supported organization	(ii) EIN	(iii) Type of organization (described on lines 1- 9 above or IRC section (see instructions))	(iv) Is the organization in col (i) listed in your governing document?		(v) Did you notify the organization in col (i) of your support?		(vi) Is the organization in col (i) organized in the U S ?		(vii) Amount of support
			Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	No	
Total									

Part II

Support Schedule for Organizations Described in Sections 170(b)(1)(A)(iv) and 170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 5, 7, or 8 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part III. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part III.)

Section A. Public Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")	18,878,487	22,189,765	19,129,916	29,717,643	39,253,053	129,168,864
2 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
3 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
4 Total. Add lines 1 through 3	18,878,487	22,189,765	19,129,916	29,717,643	39,253,053	129,168,864
5 The portion of total contributions by each person (other than a governmental unit or publicly supported organization) included on line 1 that exceeds 2% of the amount shown on line 11, column (f)						15,545,439
6 Public Support. Subtract line 5 from line 4						113,623,425

Section B. Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
7 Amounts from line 4	18,878,487	22,189,765	19,129,916	29,717,643	39,253,053	129,168,864
8 Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources	810,675	873,269	522,010	726,009	430,432	3,362,395
9 Net income from unrelated business activities, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
10 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)	5,741	10,126	7,704	5,530	2,264	31,365
11 Total support (Add lines 7 through 10)						132,562,624
12 Gross receipts from related activities, etc. (See instructions.)					12	3,560,876
13 First Five Years. If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here. ▶						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage		
14 Public Support Percentage for 2010 (line 6 column (f) divided by line 11 column (f))	14	85 7 13 %
15 Public Support Percentage for 2009 Schedule A, Part II, line 14	15	83 4 43 %
16a 33 1/3% support test—2010. If the organization did not check the box on line 13, and line 14 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶		
b 33 1/3% support test—2009. If the organization did not check the box on line 13 or 16a, and line 15 is 33 1/3% or more, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶		
17a 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2010. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, or 16b and line 14 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶		
b 10%-facts-and-circumstances test—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, or 17a and line 15 is 10% or more, and if the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test, check this box and stop here. Explain in Part IV how the organization meets the "facts and circumstances" test. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization. ▶		
18 Private Foundation. If the organization did not check a box on line 13, 16a, 16b, 17a or 17b, check this box and see instructions. ▶		

Part IIISupport Schedule for Organizations Described in Section 509(a)(2)

(Complete only if you checked the box on line 9 of Part I or if the organization failed to qualify under Part II. If the organization fails to qualify under the tests listed below, please complete Part II.)

Section A. Public Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
1 Gifts, grants, contributions, and membership fees received (Do not include any "unusual grants.")						
2 Gross receipts from admissions, merchandise sold or services performed, or facilities furnished in any activity that is related to the organization's tax-exempt purpose						
3 Gross receipts from activities that are not an unrelated trade or business under section 513						
4 Tax revenues levied for the organization's benefit and either paid to or expended on its behalf						
5 The value of services or facilities furnished by a governmental unit to the organization without charge						
6 Total. Add lines 1 through 5						
7a Amounts included on lines 1, 2, and 3 received from disqualified persons						
b Amounts included on lines 2 and 3 received from other than disqualified persons that exceed the greater of \$5,000 or 1% of the amount on line 13 for the year						
c Add lines 7a and 7b						
8 Public Support (Subtract line 7c from line 6 )						

Section B. Total Support						
Calendar year (or fiscal year beginning in) ▶	(a) 2006	(b) 2007	(c) 2008	(d) 2009	(e) 2010	(f) Total
9 Amounts from line 6						
10a Gross income from interest, dividends, payments received on securities loans, rents, royalties and income from similar sources						
b Unrelated business taxable income (less section 511 taxes) from businesses acquired after June 30, 1975						
c Add lines 10a and 10b						
11 Net income from unrelated business activities not included in line 10b, whether or not the business is regularly carried on						
12 Other income. Do not include gain or loss from the sale of capital assets (Explain in Part IV.)						
13 Total support (Add lines 9, 10c, 11 and 12.)						
14 First Five Years If the Form 990 is for the organization's first, second, third, fourth, or fifth tax year as a section 501(c)(3) organization, check this box and stop here ▶						

Section C. Computation of Public Support Percentage		
15 Public Support Percentage for 2010 (line 8 column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	15	
16 Public support percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 15	16	

Section D. Computation of Investment Income Percentage		
17 Investment income percentage for 2010 (line 10c column (f) divided by line 13 column (f))	17	
18 Investment income percentage from 2009 Schedule A, Part III, line 17	18	
19a 33 1/3% support tests—2010. If the organization did not check the box on line 14, and line 15 is more than 33 1/3% and line 17 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶		
b 33 1/3% support tests—2009. If the organization did not check a box on line 14 or line 19a, and line 16 is more than 33 1/3% and line 18 is not more than 33 1/3%, check this box and stop here. The organization qualifies as a publicly supported organization ▶		
20 Private Foundation If the organization did not check a box on line 14, 19a or 19b, check this box and see instructions ▶		

**Part IV**

**Supplemental Information.** Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the explanations required by Part II, line 10; Part II, line 17a or 17b; and Part III, line 12. Also complete this part for any additional information. (See instructions).

<b>Facts And Circumstances Test</b>
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SCHEDULE D  
(Form 990)

Supplemental Financial Statements

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Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

▶ **Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, or 12.**  
▶ **Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.**

Name of the organization  
CATO INSTITUTE

Employer identification number  
23-7432162

Part I Organizations Maintaining Donor Advised Funds or Other Similar Funds or Accounts. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 6.

	(a) Donor advised funds	(b) Funds and other accounts
1	Total number at end of year	
2	Aggregate contributions to (during year)	
3	Aggregate grants from (during year)	
4	Aggregate value at end of year	
5	Did the organization inform all donors and donor advisors in writing that the assets held in donor advised funds are the organization's property, subject to the organization's exclusive legal control? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	
6	Did the organization inform all grantees, donors, and donor advisors in writing that grant funds may be used only for charitable purposes and not for the benefit of the donor or donor advisor, or for any other purpose conferring impermissible private benefit? <div><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No</div>	

Part II Conservation Easements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 7.

1

Purpose(s) of conservation easements held by the organization (check all that apply)

☐ Preservation of land for public use (e g , recreation or pleasure)☐ Preservation of an historically importantly land area☐ Protection of natural habitat☐ Preservation of a certified historic structure☐ Preservation of open space

2

Complete lines 2a–2d if the organization held a qualified conservation contribution in the form of a conservation easement on the last day of the tax year

	Held at the End of the Year
a	Total number of conservation easements
b	Total acreage restricted by conservation easements
c	Number of conservation easements on a certified historic structure included in (a)
d	Number of conservation easements included in (c) acquired after 8/17/06

3

Number of conservation easements modified, transferred, released, extinguished, or terminated by the organization during the taxable year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

4

Number of states where property subject to conservation easement is located ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

5

Does the organization have a written policy regarding the periodic monitoring, inspection, handling of violations, and enforcement of the conservation easements it holds?

☐ Yes ☐ No

6

Staff and volunteer hours devoted to monitoring, inspecting and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \_\_\_\_\_

7

Amount of expenses incurred in monitoring, inspecting, and enforcing conservation easements during the year ▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

8

Does each conservation easement reported on line 2(d) above satisfy the requirements of section 170(h)(4)(B)(i) and 170(h)(4)(B)(ii)?

☐ Yes ☐ No

9

In Part XIV, describe how the organization reports conservation easements in its revenue and expense statement, and balance sheet, and include, if applicable, the text of the footnote to the organization’s financial statements that describes the organization’s accounting for conservation easements

Part III Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 8.

1a

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, not to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education or research in furtherance of public service, provide, in Part XIV, the text of the footnote to its financial statements that describes these items

b

If the organization elected, as permitted under SFAS 116, to report in its revenue statement and balance sheet works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets held for public exhibition, education, or research in furtherance of public service, provide the following amounts relating to these items

(i) Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

(ii) Assets included in Form 990, Part X▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

2

If the organization received or held works of art, historical treasures, or other similar assets for financial gain, provide the following amounts required to be reported under SFAS 116 relating to these items

a

Revenues included in Form 990, Part VIII, line 1▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

b

Assets included in Form 990, Part X▶ \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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Part III

Organizations Maintaining Collections of Art, Historical Treasures, or Other Similar Assets (continued)

3

Using the organization's accession and other records, check any of the following that are a significant use of its collection items (check all that apply)

a

☐ Public exhibition

b

☐ Scholarly research

c

☐ Preservation for future generations

d

☐ Loan or exchange programs

e

☐ Other

4

Provide a description of the organization's collections and explain how they further the organization's exempt purpose in Part XIV

5

During the year, did the organization solicit or receive donations of art, historical treasures or other similar assets to be sold to raise funds rather than to be maintained as part of the organization's collection?

☐ Yes

☐ No

Part IV

Escrow and Custodial Arrangements. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 9, or reported an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21.

1a

Is the organization an agent, trustee, custodian or other intermediary for contributions or other assets not included on Form 990, Part X?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV and complete the following table

	Amount
1c	
1d	
1e	
1f	

2a

Did the organization include an amount on Form 990, Part X, line 21?

☐ Yes

☐ No

b

If "Yes," explain the arrangement in Part XIV

Part V

Endowment Funds. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 10.

	(a)Current Year	(b)Prior Year	(c)Two Years Back	(d)Three Years Back	(e)Four Years Back
1a	Beginning of year balance . . . . .	2,010,097	2,010,097	2,010,097	
b	Contributions . . . . .	0	0	0	
c	Investment earnings or losses . . . . .	66,530	4,536	42,254	
d	Grants or scholarships . . . . .	0	0	0	
e	Other expenditures for facilities and programs . . . . .	66,530	4,536	42,254	
f	Administrative expenses . . . . .	0	0	0	
g	End of year balance . . . . .	2,010,097	2,010,097	2,010,097	

2

Provide the estimated percentage of the year end balance held as

a

Board designated or quasi-endowment ▶

b

Permanent endowment ▶ 100 000 %

c

Term endowment ▶

3a

Are there endowment funds not in the possession of the organization that are held and administered for the organization by

	Yes	No
3a(i)		No
3a(ii)		No
3b		

(i)

unrelated organizations . . . . .

(ii)

related organizations . . . . .

b

If "Yes" to 3a(ii), are the related organizations listed as required on Schedule R?

4

Describe in Part XIV the intended uses of the organization's endowment funds

Part VI

Investments—Land, Buildings, and Equipment. See Form 990, Part X, line 10.

Description of investment	(a) Cost or other basis (investment)	(b)Cost or other basis (other)	(c) Accumulated depreciation	(d) Book value
1a Land . . . . .		9,656,037		9,656,037
b Buildings . . . . .		10,570,015	7,788,030	2,781,985
c Leasehold improvements . . . . .				
d Equipment . . . . .				
e Other . . . . .		13,597,047	2,195,453	11,401,594
Total. Add lines 1a-1e (Column (d) should equal Form 990, Part X, column (B), line 10(c).) ▶				23,839,616



Part XI Reconciliation of Change in Net Assets from Form 990 to Financial Statements			
1	Total revenue (Form 990, Part VIII, column (A), line 12)	2	40,410,727
2	Total expenses (Form 990, Part IX, column (A), line 25)	2	23,648,195
3	Excess or (deficit) for the year Subtract line 2 from line 1	2	16,762,532
4	Net unrealized gains (losses) on investments	4	-33,165
5	Donated services and use of facilities	5	
6	Investment expenses	6	
7	Prior period adjustments	7	
8	Other (Describe in Part XIV)	8	
9	Total adjustments (net) Add lines 4 - 8	9	-33,165
10	Excess or (deficit) for the year per financial statements Combine lines 3 and 9	10	16,729,367

Part XII Reconciliation of Revenue per Audited Financial Statements With Revenue per Return			
1	Total revenue, gains, and other support per audited financial statements . . . . .	1	40,850,460
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12		
a	Net unrealized gains on investments . . . . .	2a	
b	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	2b	
c	Recoveries of prior year grants . . . . .	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .	2d	
e	Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .	2e	
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .	3	40,850,460
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 12, but not on line 1		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	4a	40,503
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .	4b	-480,236
c	Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .	4c	-439,733
5	Total Revenue Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 12 ) . . . . .	5	40,410,727

Part XIII Reconciliation of Expenses per Audited Financial Statements With Expenses per Return			
1	Total expenses and losses per audited financial statements . . . . .	1	24,121,093
2	Amounts included on line 1 but not on Form 990, Part IX, line 25		
a	Donated services and use of facilities . . . . .	2a	
b	Prior year adjustments . . . . .	2b	
c	Other losses . . . . .	2c	
d	Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .	2d	513,401
e	Add lines 2a through 2d . . . . .	2e	513,401
3	Subtract line 2e from line 1 . . . . .	3	23,607,692
4	Amounts included on Form 990, Part IX, line 25, but not on line 1:		
a	Investment expenses not included on Form 990, Part VIII, line 7b . . . . .	4a	40,503
b	Other (Describe in Part XIV) . . . . .	4b	
c	Add lines 4a and 4b . . . . .	4c	40,503
5	Total expenses Add lines 3 and 4c. (This should equal Form 990, Part I, line 18 ) . . . . .	5	23,648,195

Part XIV Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the descriptions required for Part II, lines 3, 5, and 9, Part III, lines 1a and 4, Part IV, lines 1b and 2b, Part V, line 4, Part X, Part XI, line 8, Part XII, lines 2d and 4b, and Part XIII, lines 2d and 4b. Also complete this part to provide any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
INTENDED USE OF THE ORGANIZATION'S ENDOWMENT FUNDS	SCHEDULE D, PART V, QUESTION 4	TO SUPPORT THE OPERATIONAL COSTS OF CATO'S CONSTITUTIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM THROUGH THE ANNUAL EARNINGS OF THE ENDOWMENT NET ASSETS
OTHER REVENUE INCLUDED ON RETURN NOT ON BOOKS	SCHEDULE D, PART XII, LINE 4B	REALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS (23,722) COST OF GOODS SOLD (376,514) LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF ASSETS (80,000) ----- \$(480,236)
OTHER EXPENSES INCLUDED ON LINE 1, NOT ON FORM 990	SCHEDULE D, PART XIII, LINE 2D	REALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS (23,722) COST OF GOODS SOLD (376,514) LOSS ON DISPOSAL OF ASSETS (80,000) UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS (33,165) --- ----- \$513,401
FIN 48 FINANCIAL STATEMENT DISCLOSURE	SCHEDULE D, PART X, LINE 2	Tax years prior to 2007 are no longer subject to examination by the IRS and the tax jurisdictions of Kansas and the District of Columbia

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▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b, 15, or 16.  
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**Part I** **General Information on Activities Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 14b.

**1 For grantmakers.** Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? ☒ Yes ☐ No

**2 For grant makers.** Describe in Part V the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds outside the United States

**3** Activities per Region (Use Part V if additional space is needed)

(a) Region	(b) Number of offices in the region	(c) Number of employees or agents in region or independent contractors	(d) Activities conducted in region (by type) (e.g., fundraising, program services, investments, grants to recipients located in the region)	(e) If activity listed in (d) is a program service, describe specific type of service(s) in region	(f) Total expenditures for region/investments in region
Europe (Including Iceland and Greenland)	0	0	Grantmaking		61,800
Russia and the Newly Independent States	0	0	Grantmaking		300,000
South America	0	0	Grantmaking		20,000
South America	0	1	Program Services	CONFERENCE/WEBSITE	42,718
<b>3a</b> Sub-total	0	1			424,518
<b>b</b> Total from continuation sheets to Part I					
<b>c Totals</b> (add lines 3a and 3b)	0	1			424,518

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations or Entities Outside the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 15, for any recipient who received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000 . . . . . ☐

Use Part V if additional space is needed.

1	(a) Name of organization	(b) IRS code section and EIN (if applicable)	(c) Region	(d) Purpose of grant	(e) Amount of cash grant	(f) Manner of cash disbursement	(g) Amount of non-cash assistance	(h) Description of non-cash assistance	(i) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)
			Europe/Iceland/Greenland	PROM LIBERTY				NA	NA
			Russia	PROM LIBERTY	300,000	WIRE	0	N/A	N/A

2

Enter total number of recipient organizations listed above that are recognized as charities by the foreign country, recognized as tax-exempt by the IRS, or for which the grantee or counsel has provided a section 501(c)(3) equivalency letter . . . . .

0

3

Enter total number of other organizations or entities . . . . .

0

**Part III** **Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals Outside the United States.** Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 16.  
Use Part V if additional space is needed.

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Part IV

Foreign Forms

- 1

Was the organization a U S transferor of property to a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 926 (see instructions for Form 926)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 2

Did the organization have an interest in a foreign trust during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 3520 and/or Form 3520-A. (see instructions for Forms 3520 and 3520-A)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 3

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign corporation during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5471, Information Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Corporations. (see instructions for Form 5471)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 4

Was the organization a direct or indirect shareholder of a passive foreign investment company or a qualified electing fund during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8621, Return by a Shareholder of a Passive Foreign Investment Company or Qualified Electing Fund. (see instructions for Form 8621)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 5

Did the organization have an ownership interest in a foreign partnership during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 8865, Return of U.S. Persons with respect to Certain Foreign Partnerships. (see instructions for Form 8865)*

☐

Yes

☒

No
- 6

Did the organization have any operations in or related to any boycotting countries during the tax year? *If "Yes," the organization may be required to file Form 5713, International Boycott Report (see instructions for Form 5713).*

☐

Yes

☒

No



## Supplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information (see instructions) required in Part I, line 2, and any additional information.

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Schedule I  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Name of the organization  
CATO INSTITUTE

Grants and Other Assistance to Organizations,  
Governments and Individuals in the United States

Complete if the organization answered "Yes," to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 or 22.  
▶ Attach to Form 990

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Part I

General Information on Grants and Assistance

- 1

Does the organization maintain records to substantiate the amount of the grants or assistance, the grantees' eligibility for the grants or assistance, and the selection criteria used to award the grants or assistance? . . . . .

☒ Yes ☐ No
- 2

Describe in Part IV the organization's procedures for monitoring the use of grant funds in the United States

Part II

Grants and Other Assistance to Governments and Organizations in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 21 for any recipient that received more than \$5,000. Check this box if no one recipient received more than \$5,000. Part II can be duplicated if additional space is needed. . . . . ▶ ☒

1 (a) Name and address of organization or government	(b) EIN	(c) IRC Code section if applicable	(d) Amount of cash grant	(e) Amount of non-cash assistance	(f) Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(g) Description of non-cash assistance	(h) Purpose of grant or assistance

2

Enter total number of section 501(c)(3) and government organizations . . . . . ▶

3

Enter total number of other organizations . . . . . ▶

Part III

Grants and Other Assistance to Individuals in the United States. Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, line 22.  
Use Schedule I-1 (Form 990) if additional space is needed.

(a)Type of grant or assistance	(b)Number of recipients	(c)Amount of cash grant	(d)Amount of non-cash assistance	(e)Method of valuation (book, FMV, appraisal, other)	(f)Description of non-cash assistance
(1) TO PROMOTE INDIVIDUAL LIBERTY THROUGH PUBLICations	1	31,225	0	N/A	N/A
(2) FRIEDMAN PRIZE	1	500,000	0	N/A	N/A
(3) STIPENDS FOR SENIOR FELLOWS	9	261,250	0	N/A	N/A

Part IV

Supplemental Information. Complete this part to provide the information required in Part I, line 2, and any other additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PROCEDURES FOR MONITORING THE USE OF GRANT FUNDS IN THE UNITED STATES	SCHEDULE I, PART 1, LINE 2	PROGRAMS ARE SUPERVISED BY PROJECT MANAGERS WHO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT, APPROVE PAYMENT AND PROVIDE AN ACCOUNTING OF FUNDS SPENT

Schedule J  
(Form 990)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Compensation Information

For certain Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees  
▶ Complete if the organization answered "Yes" to Form 990, Part IV, question 23.  
▶ Attach to Form 990. ▶ See separate instructions.

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Part I	Questions Regarding Compensation		Yes	No
1a	Check the appropriate box(es) if the organization provided any of the following to or for a person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a Complete Part III to provide any relevant information regarding these items <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> First-class or charter travel</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Housing allowance or residence for personal use</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Travel for companions</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Payments for business use of personal residence</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Tax idemnification and gross-up payments</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Health or social club dues or initiation fees</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Discretionary spending account</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Personal services (e g , maid, chauffeur, chef)</div></div>			
b	If any of the boxes in line 1a are checked, did the organization follow a written policy regarding payment or reimbursement or provision of all the expenses described above? If "No," complete Part III to explain	1b		
2	Did the organization require substantiation prior to reimbursing or allowing expenses incurred by all officers, directors, trustees, and the CEO/Executive Director, regarding the items checked in line 1a?	2		
3	Indicate which, if any, of the following the organization uses to establish the compensation of the organization's CEO/Executive Director Check all that apply <div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Compensation committee</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Written employment contract</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Independent compensation consultant</div><div><input type="checkbox"/> Compensation survey or study</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Form 990 of other organizations</div><div><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Approval by the board or compensation committee</div></div>			
4	During the year, did any person listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a with respect to the filing organization or a related organization <div><div>a Receive a severance payment or change-of-control payment from the organization or a related organization?</div><div>b Participate in, or receive payment from, a supplemental nonqualified retirement plan?</div><div>c Participate in, or receive payment from, an equity-based compensation arrangement? If "Yes" to any of lines 4a-c, list the persons and provide the applicable amounts for each item in Part III</div></div>	4a	Yes	
		4b	Yes	
		4c		No
	Only 501(c)(3) and 501(c)(4) organizations only must complete lines 5-9.			
5	For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the revenues of <div><div>a The organization?</div><div>b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 5a or 5b, describe in Part III</div></div>	5a		No
		5b		No
6	For persons listed in form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization pay or accrue any compensation contingent on the net earnings of <div><div>a The organization?</div><div>b Any related organization? If "Yes," to line 6a or 6b, describe in Part III</div></div>	6a		No
		6b		No
7	For persons listed in Form 990, Part VII, Section A, line 1a, did the organization provide any non-fixed payments not described in lines 5 and 6? If "Yes," describe in Part III	7		No
8	Were any amounts reported in Form 990, Part VII, paid or accrued pursuant to a contract that was subject to the initial contract exception described in Regs section 53 4958-4(a)(3)? If "Yes," describe in Part III	8		No
9	If "Yes" to line 8, did the organization also follow the rebuttable presumption procedure described in Regulations section 53 4958-6(c)?	9		

**Part II** **Officers, Directors, Trustees, Key Employees, and Highest Compensated Employees.** Use duplicate copies if additional space is needed.

For each individual whose compensation must be reported in Schedule J, report compensation from the organization on row (i) and from related organizations, described in the instructions on row (ii) Do not list any individuals that are not listed on Form 990, Part VII

**Note.** The sum of columns (B)(i)-(iii) must equal the applicable column (D) or column (E) amounts on Form 990, Part VII, line 1a

(A) Name		(B) Breakdown of W-2 and/or 1099-MISC compensation			(C) Retirement and other deferred compensation	(D) Nontaxable benefits	(E) Total of columns (B)(i)-(D)	(F) Compensation reported in prior Form 990 or Form 990-EZ
		(i) Base compensation	(ii) Bonus & incentive compensation	(iii) Other reportable compensation				
(1) EDWARD H CRANE	(i) (ii)	453,918 0	0 0	0	22,050	12,289	488,257 0	
(2) WILLIAM A NISKANEN	(i) (ii)	178,550 0	0 0	0	12,499	2,036	193,085 0	
(3) DAVID BOAZ	(i) (ii)	245,625 0	0 0	0	17,163	5,787	268,575 0	
(4) WILLIAM ERICKSON	(i) (ii)	169,570 0	0 0	0	12,294	10,577	192,441 0	
(5) WILLIAM LINDSEY	(i) (ii)	173,118 0	0 0	0	11,326	11,596	196,040 0	
(6) ROGER PILON	(i) (ii)	167,118 0	0 0	0	12,163	12,289	191,570 0	
(7) TED CARPENTER	(i) (ii)	171,550 0	0 0	0	12,009	2,055	185,614 0	
(8) JAGADEESH GOKHALE	(i) (ii)	156,045 0	0 0	0	11,277	10,134	177,456 0	
(9) ANDREI ILLIARNOV	(i) (ii)	161,400 0	0 0	0	8,070	5,787	175,257 0	
(10) MARK CALABRIA	(i) (ii)	153,375 0	0 0	0	8,828	5,787	167,990 0	
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Part IIISupplemental Information

Complete this part to provide the information, explanation, or descriptions required for Part I, lines 1a, 1b, 4c, 5a, 5b, 6a, 6b, 7, and 8. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
Deferred Compensation Plan	Schedule J, Line 4b	No contribution was made during fiscal year 3/31/2011 to the President's deferred compensation plan.
SCHEDULE J, LINE 4A	SEVERANCE PAYMENT	FORMER VP WILLIAM LINDSEY RECEIVED \$50,000 IN SEVERANCE PAY DURING CALENDAR YEAR 2010.

SCHEDULE M  
(Form 990)

NonCash Contributions

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►Complete if the organization answered "Yes" on Form 990, Part IV, lines 29 or 30.  
► Attach to Form 990.

Name of the organization  
CATO INSTITUTE

Employer identification number  
23-7432162

Part I

Types of Property

	(a) Check if applicable	(b) Number of Contributions or items contributed	(c) Noncash contribution amounts reported on Form 990, Part VIII, line 1g	(d) Method of determining oncash contribution amounts
1 Art—Works of art . . . .				
2 Art—Historical treasures				
3 Art—Fractional interests				
4 Books and publications				
5 Clothing and household goods . . . . .				
6 Cars and other vehicles .				
7 Boats and planes . . . .				
8 Intellectual property . .				
9 Securities—Publicly traded	X	50	4,404,194	FMV DATE OF RECEIPT
10 Securities—Closely held stock . . . . .				
11 Securities—Partnership, LLC, or trust interests .				
12 Securities—Miscellaneous				
13 Qualified conservation contribution—Historic structures . . . . .				
14 Qualified conservation contribution—Other . .				
15 Real estate—Residential .				
16 Real estate—Commercial				
17 Real estate—Other . .				
18 Collectibles . . . . .				
19 Food inventory . . . . .				
20 Drugs and medical supplies				
21 Taxidermy . . . . .				
22 Historical artifacts . .				
23 Scientific specimens . .				
24 Archeological artifacts .				
25 Other ► ( )				
26 Other ► ( )				
27 Other ► ( )				
28 Other ► ( )				
29 Number of Forms 8283 received by the organization during the tax year for contributions for which the organization completed Form 8283, Part IV, Donee Acknowledgement . . . .			29	0

30a	During the year, did the organization receive by contribution any property reported in Part I, lines 1-28 that it must hold for at least three years from the date of the initial contribution, and which is not required to be used for exempt purposes for the entire holding period? . . . . .	Yes	No
b	If "Yes," describe the arrangement in Part II		No
31	Does the organization have a gift acceptance policy that requires the review of any non-standard contributions?	31	No
32a	Does the organization hire or use third parties or related organizations to solicit, process, or sell non-cash contributions? . . . . .	32a	No
b	If "Yes," describe in Part II		
33	If the organization did not report revenues in column (c) for a type of property for which column (a) is checked, describe in Part II		

**Part II**

**Supplemental Information.** Complete this part to provide the information required by Part I, lines 30b, 32b, and 33. Also complete this part for any additional information.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
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SCHEDULE O

(Form 990 or 990-EZ)

Department of the Treasury  
Internal Revenue Service

Supplemental Information to Form 990 or 990-EZ

Complete to provide information for responses to specific questions on  
Form 990 or to provide any additional information.  
▶ Attach to Form 990 or 990-EZ.

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Name of the organization CATO INSTITUTE	Employer identification number 23-7432162
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Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PROCESS USED TO REVIEW FORM 990	PART VI, SECTION A, QUESTION 11B	DRAFT DISTRIBUTED TO EACH MEMBER FOR REVIEW AND COMMENT PRIOR TO FINALIZATION

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
MONITORING AND ENFORCEMENT OF COMPLIANCE WITH CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY	PART VI, SECTION B, QUESTION 12C	CATO REVIEWS CONFLICT OF INTEREST DISCLOSURES IF A POTENTIAL CONFLICT OF INTEREST ARISES, THE DIRECTOR WITH THE CONFLICT IS REQUIRED TO CORRECT THE SITUATION OR STEP DOWN FROM THE BOARD

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
PROCESS FOR DETERMINING COMPENSATION	PART VI, SECTION B, QUESTION 15B	INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR REVIEWS COMPENSATION/BENEFITS THE BOARD DISCUSSES AND APPROVES EXECUTIVE COMPENSATION/BENEFITS BASED ON RESULTS OF THE INDEPENDENT STUDY

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
DOES THE ORGANIZATION HAVE MEMBERS OR STOCKHOLDERS?	PART VI, SECTION A, LINE 6	CATO INSTITUTE WAS ORGANIZED AS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION UNDER THE LAWS OF KANSAS AND HAS FOUR SHAREHOLDERS EACH SHAREHOLDER HOLDS 16 SHARES, WHICH TOTAL 64 SHARES OF THE 1,000 SHARES AUTHORIZED

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
MEMBERS, STOCKHOLDERS OR OTHER PERSONS WHO MAY ELECT THE GOVERNING BODY	PART VI, SECTION A, QUESTION 7A	CATO INSTITUTE'S SHAREHOLDERS ELECT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, AND THE BOARD DETERMINES THE GOVERNING COMMITTEES

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
DECISIONS OF THE GOVERNING BODY SUBJECT TO APPROVAL	PART VI, SECTION A, QUESTION 7B	SHAREHOLDERS ELECT THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND MAY REMOVE DIRECTORS WITH A MAJORITY VOTE

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
HOW THE ORGANIZATION MAKES ORGANIZING DOCUMENTS AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC	PART VI, SECTION C, QUESTION 19	CATO'S BY LAWS, ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST POLICY ARE AVAILABLE TO ANY ONE WHO REQUESTS THEM. FURTHER, CATO HAS ALWAYS COMPLIED, AND WILL CONTINUE TO COMPLY, WITH THE MANDATE THAT FORM 990 BE MADE PUBLICLY AVAILABLE.

Identifier	Return Reference	Explanation
OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS	PART XI, LINE 5	OTHER CHANGES IN NET ASSETS REPRESENTS AN UNREALIZED LOSS ON INVESTMENTS



Additional Data

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Form 990, Part III - 4 Program Service Accomplishments (See the Instructions)

4d. Other program services				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
THE MILTON FRIEDMAN PRIZE FOR ADVANCING				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
LIBERTY, NAMED IN HONOR OF PERHAPS THE				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
GREATEST CHAMPION OF LIBERTY IN THE 20TH				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
CENTURY, IS PRESENTED EVERY OTHER YEAR TO				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS MADE A SIGNIFICANT				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
CONTRIBUTION TO ADVANCE HUMAN FREEDOM				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
THE PRIZE, A CASH AWARD OF \$500,000 WAS				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	including grants of \$	(Revenue \$	)
PRESENTED TO THIS YEAR'S WINNER, AKBAR				
(Code )	(Expenses \$	750,421	including grants of \$	500,000 ) (Revenue \$
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51,370 )				